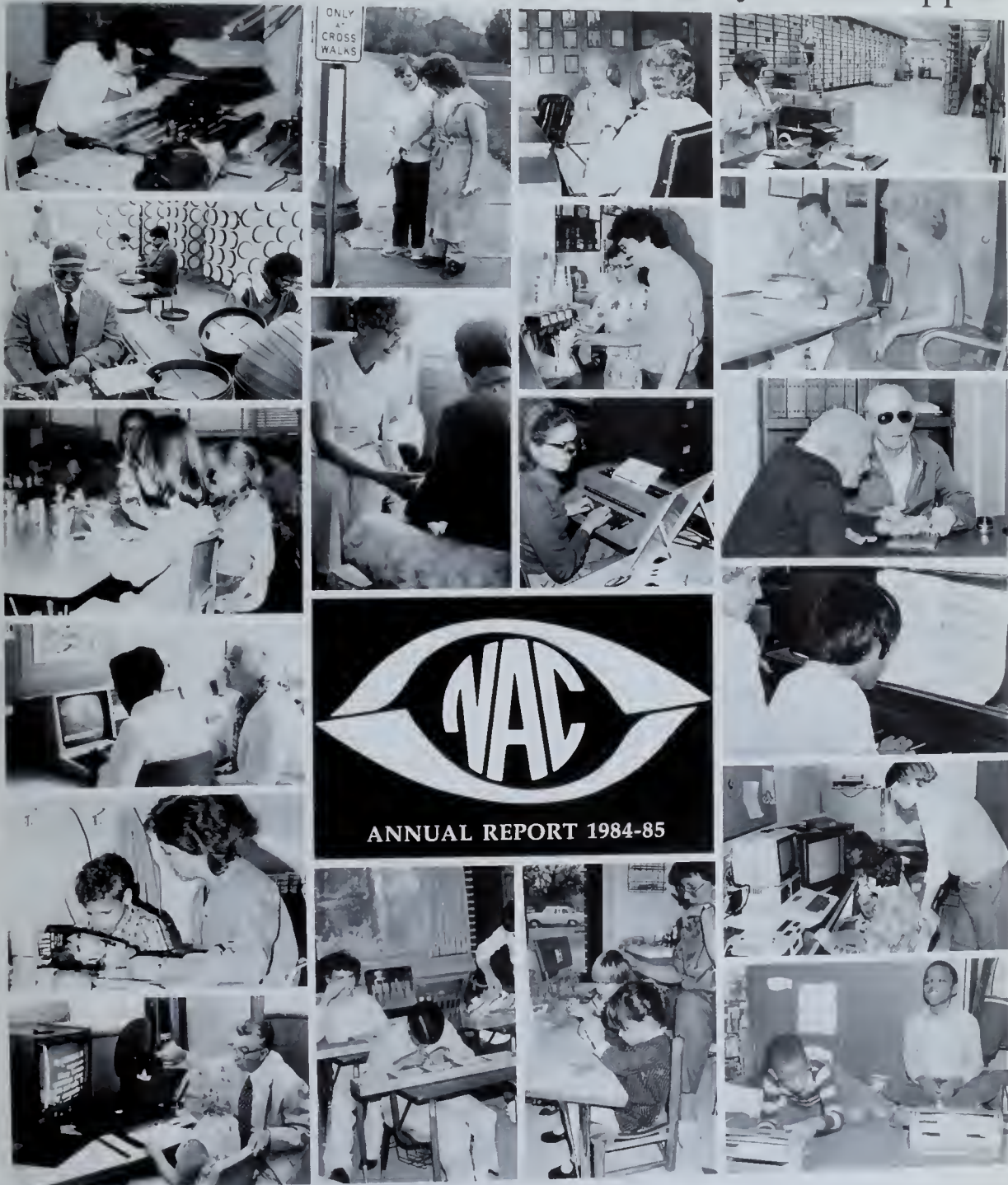


National Accreditation Council for Agencies Serving the Blind & Visually Handicapped



Improving the quality of life. . .



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for Agencies Serving the Blind
& Visually Handicapped

Annual Report 1984-85

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COVER: A pictorial look at the wide range of rehabilitative and educational services applicable to the NAC standards. Through the process of accreditation for specialized agencies and schools, NAC improves the quality of life for persons who are blind or visually handicapped and their families.

PHOTO CREDITS: NAC extends a special thanks to each accredited organization that submitted photographs for use in this report. Shown are: Arkansas Enterprises for the Blind; Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind; Cloverbrook Home and School for the Blind; Dallas Services for Visually Impaired Children; Department for the Blind, Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind; Department for the Visually Handicapped, Arizona State School for the Deaf and the Blind; Florida Association of Workers for the Blind; Florida Division of Blind Services; Georgia Academy for the Blind; In-Sight; Lancaster County Branch, Pennsylvania Association for the Blind; Louisiana Association for the Blind; Maryland School for the Blind; Mississippi School for the Blind; Mississippi Vocational Rehabilitation for the Blind; New Mexico School for the Visually Handicapped; New York Institute for the Education of the Blind; Ohio State School for the Blind; Recording for the Blind; St. Joseph's School for the Blind; Toledo Society for the Blind; Volunteer Blind Industries.

... through standards and accreditation

Executive Report

Highlights

Six agencies and schools achieved NAC accreditation, bringing the total number of accredited organizations to 102. At year-end, the number of persons reported served by these accredited organizations totaled some 260,000.

NAC appeared before the National Advisory Committee on Accreditation and Institutional Eligibility of the Department of Education to have its scope of recognition expanded to include postsecondary vocational training programs. Approval was granted several months later.

Thirteen new organizations began working with NAC in preparation for self-study.

NAC conducted its first training seminar for on-site review team members.

NAC began the second phase of the "second generation" of standards revisions with the revision of workshop services standards. We thank National Industries for the Blind for its special assistance with this project.

Six organizations joined NAC as Sponsors and Supporters.

Relocation of the NAC office within New York City.

Guided by a reaffirmed commitment to its 19 year-long mission—to help people who are blind or visually handicapped to be self-reliant, capable of achieving their full potential; and to help agencies and schools improve their management and services through a comprehensive standards and accreditation program—NAC accelerated positive efforts generated last year and continued to initiate new ones.

To fulfill NAC's mission, the Board of Directors and Long Range Planning Committee approve yearly plans with specific objectives for each of the three program areas: accreditation, standards, and advancement of accreditation. Later in this Annual Report you will find lists of these objectives for fiscal 1984-85 accompanied by summary progress analyses which have been prepared by the commission chairperson for each program. These will provide you with a more comprehensive look into the year's activities.

The impact of NAC's accreditation program depends to a large extent on the quality and relevance of the standards used as guidelines. In the fall of 1985 the NAC Board will be asked to review and authorize publication of revised standards for use in NAC's accreditation evaluations to help nonprofit agencies and schools serving the blind and visually handicapped strengthen all facets of organizational management. We wish to express our appreciation to Otis H. Stephens, chairperson, and the members of the Management Standards Advisory Committee; to Owen R. Davison, immediate past chairperson; James S. Jeffers, chairperson; and the members of the Commission on Standards; to everyone who contributed to the review; and to the Pew Memorial Trust and Reader's Digest Fund for the Blind whose support enabled us to complete this important project.

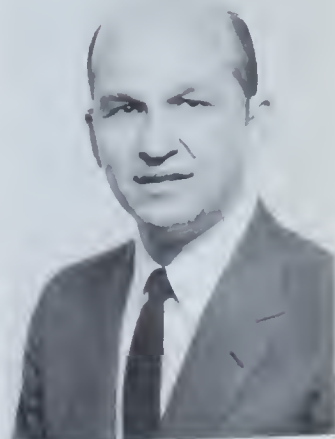
In the prior year the annual accreditation dues from members supported 37 percent of the costs to maintain only the accreditation program. With an increase in accredited members this year and efforts to reduce the costs to maintain this program, the dues are now supporting 42 percent. The dues formula has not been changed, though a voluntary dues increase will be suggested in the coming year.

NAC incurred additional expenditures this year with the decision to relocate its office, brought on with the predetermined expiration of our lease on December 31, 1984. With the rent for the space we occupied being increased by 100 percent, and NAC unable to afford such rates or purchase permanent space, we chose to search for other office space in the City.

We were aware that any suitable space which could accommodate NAC's needs would require additional rental charges; however, results of an intensive seven month real estate investigation revealed a new location with a very favorable rental agreement.



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In fact, it offered more usable square footage and improved facilities at a lower rate than many less desirable spaces. Still, the net result of the move created increased costs to NAC for maintaining an office in New York City.

As we reported last year, NAC employed a full-time, professional fund development director to develop and expand a national effort to seek out new resources and to identify new prospective corporate and foundation donors. NAC's intention was to raise the funds necessary to operate independently and be in a position where it would not need to rely so heavily on financial support from the American Foundation for the Blind (AFB). We continue to be most grateful to AFB for its long-standing support, yet we realize the importance of a long range, comprehensive development plan to move NAC toward greater financial independence.

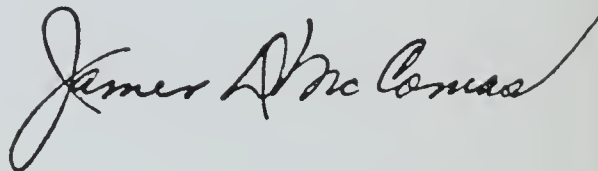
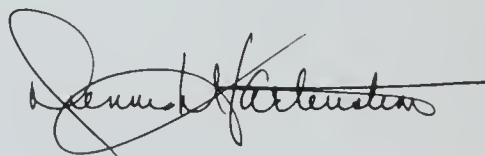
Initiation of a major fund development program requires a substantial financial commitment in order to reap the greatest reward. In approving NAC's decision to strive for financial independence, the Executive Committee authorized use of NAC's reserves if necessary to support the expanded fund raising and advancement of accreditation programs as an investment for the future. It was originally NAC's plan to offset these temporary additional expenditures with new sources of revenue. As a result, we chose to continue investing in these programs even after we experienced limited initial financial success. These programs usually require several years to produce a measurable return.

We are taking steps to preserve NAC's fund balance and to reestablish financial equilibrium, beginning with authorization of a reduced operating budget for next year. Several significant cutbacks will include a modification of our fund development plan, a reduction of staff support in this area, and a reduction of office space.

This trend toward cost efficiency is in line with NAC's recent and ongoing investigations of ways to improve its efficiency in operations while maintaining a high quality standards and accreditation program. However, the need for NAC to identify and raise new sources of income continues. Using the foundation laid during the past year, we plan to marshal this experience toward greater financial independence for NAC. We remain convinced we can achieve this objective.

Challenge has always been a key word in this organization, and this year has been no exception. By working together we have always managed to keep the momentum going. We would like to express our deep appreciation to (in alphabetical order): the American Council of the Blind—its national office, affiliates, and special interest groups; the American Foundation for the Blind; the Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired and its chapters; Exxon Corporation; the Herman Goldman Foundation; the National Industries for the Blind; Pew Memorial Trust; and Xerox Corporation; and to thank all of the officers, directors, donors, members, volunteers, and friends who have contributed to NAC's growth and accomplishments. In addition, we wish to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the NAC staff who have remained committed to excellence.

We plan to continue as best we can the development of our resources and identification of new ones in the ongoing effort to expand the effectiveness of NAC standards and accreditation to its agencies and schools and to all persons served.

Commission on Accreditation

Program Objectives for Fiscal Year 1985

1. Process 5 applications for accreditation and 21 applications for reaccreditation in a timely and efficient manner.
2. Process annual progress reports for accredited organizations in a timely and efficient manner.
3. Increase the involvement in NAC of accredited agencies and schools, and help them derive maximum benefit from their accredited membership.
4. Increase involvement in the accreditation community and maintain cooperative working relationships with regional and specialized accrediting associations.
5. Advocate separate and identifiable accredited agencies and schools that serve blind persons as their primary purpose as the essential backbone of the field's service delivery system.
6. Conduct at least one training seminar for on-site review team members.
7. Achieve expansion of recognition by the U.S. Secretary of Education as the reliable authority for accrediting agencies providing postsecondary vocational training for blind and visually handicapped persons.

On behalf of NAC's Commission on Accreditation, I am pleased to report on the Commission's activities in fiscal year 1985.

Six organizations received initial awards of accreditation. They are: **Delaware County Branch, Pennsylvania Association for the Blind**, Lancaster, Pennsylvania; **Ed Lindsey Industries for the Blind**, Nashville, Tennessee; **Rockland County Association for the Visually Impaired**, Pomona, New York; **Savannah Association for the Blind**, Savannah, Georgia; **Southwest Lighthouse for the Blind**, Lubbock, Texas; and **Utah School for the Blind**, Ogden, Utah. The addition of these organizations brings the total number of NAC-accredited agencies and schools to 102 in 36 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

In other actions, the Commission awarded reaccreditation to 14 organizations and extended the accreditation of 13 others. The accreditation of the Yuma Center for the Visually Impaired, Yuma, Arizona was withdrawn.

During the past year NAC processed 57 annual progress reports for accredited organizations. A total of 21 on-site reviews for accreditation and reaccreditation were conducted, 2 in conjunction with regional and specialized accrediting associations.

More than 20 persons participated in NAC's first training seminar for members and prospective members of on-site review teams. Encouraging reactions to this model program sparked NAC's development of a special project proposal to corporations and foundations with a possible interest in supporting future seminars.

A notable accomplishment in accreditation this year was NAC's successful achievement of the expansion of its scope of recognition by the U.S. Department of Education to include postsecondary vocational training programs. This expanded recognition will allow eligible students receiving vocational training services at NAC-accredited agencies to apply for Federal financial assistance.

In closing, I especially would like to thank the volunteers who served on on-site review teams and on the Commission on Accreditation for their dedication and assistance in making possible the progress of this past year.

John R. Proffitt



John R. Proffitt
Chairperson

Goal: Administer the accreditation function and maintain effective relationships with accredited agencies and schools and the accreditation community in order to strengthen quality services, management responsibility, and public accountability in organizations serving blind and visually handicapped persons.

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Goal: Develop, revise, and maintain sets of management and service standards that reflect a consensus of existing knowledge and acceptable practice, and that are designed to strengthen organizational functioning, and to assure quality services, responsible management, and public accountability.

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Commission on Standards

Program Objectives for Fiscal Year 1985

1. Determine the sets of standards to be revised or developed during the second phase of the second generation of standards revisions and begin preparation for that phase.
2. Complete (except for printing) the first phase of the second generation of standards revisions, Section C-1 through C-4.
3. Review, and revise as needed, Section C-5 Community Relations and Financial Development, in light of the revision of Sections C-1 through C-4.
4. Reach a final decision whether or not to review standards for guide dog programs during the second phase of the second generation of revisions project.

As the new Chairperson of the Commission on Standards (COS), I welcome the challenge of continuing to enhance the quality of services and service delivery through the application of current and relevant standards. The membership of your COS reflects the expertise and experience necessary to serve NAC's standards development responsibility. We have been very active this past year and wish to share some highlights of our efforts.

During this fiscal year, the major responsibility of the Commission on Standards continued to be to oversee and provide direction to the revision of all of NAC's standards. The first national review as well as reactions from the field testing of the new streamlined format for presentation of the standards has concluded. Responses from both organizations and on-site review teams were positive, and the Commission is enthusiastic about the enhanced potential of the revised standards and format to strengthen the self-evaluation and peer review processes.

The second phase—the revision of the standards for agency services—began with the initial work on revision of workshop services standards. We wish to thank National Industries for the Blind for its support of this project.

The Commission aspired to reach a final decision on whether or not to review standards for guide dog programs or to develop standards for business enterprise programs. After much discussion, it was determined that these issues required still further study before appropriate action could be taken.

Since comprehensive, yet functional and well-constructed standards provide the cornerstone of an effective accreditation process, the Commission on Standards looks forward to its role in implementing the revision of the present standards and in the development of new standards to meet the recognized areas of need in the field of work with blind and visually handicapped children and adults.

Commission on Advancement of Accreditation

Program Objectives for Fiscal Year 1985

1. Assist Sponsors and Supporters, the National Steering Committee on Standards and Accreditation, and others to bring about tangible incentives and benefits associated with NAC accreditation at the federal and state level.
2. Achieve a net increase of at least five official Sponsors or Supporters.
3. Stimulate completion of five self-studies by new applicants, and identify and encourage non-accredited agencies and schools so that at June 30, 1985, ten have either made definite plans to apply for accreditation or are in some phase of the accreditation process.
4. Improve NAC's public education program in order to develop greater awareness and acceptance of the value of standards and accreditation among key organizations, groups, and individuals in the field.
5. Elicit greater participation and support for NAC accreditation from key organizations and groups outside of the field of blindness, including corporations and foundations, and help them to recognize the value of accreditation in assuring quality services, responsible management practices, and public accountability.

NAC's Commission on Advancement of Standards began operating this year with a new name—the Commission on Advancement of Accreditation. The Board of Directors authorized this name change in recognition of the Commission's actual purpose and activities.

The efforts to advance accreditation were generally quite successful in fiscal year 1985. Three completed self-studies from new applicants were received, and the number of accredited agencies and schools reached 102.

Six new organizations joined NAC as Sponsors and Supporters, exceeding our objective and bringing the total membership to 59. In addition, the Executive Committee established a new category of "Local Supporter" for local organizations interested in participating more actively as official members of the Council.

NAC maintained its visibility by attending national, state, and regional meetings of professional and consumer organizations. Staff met with and made numerous presentations to students in professional training programs at universities across the country.

The American Foundation for the Blind and National Industries for the Blind continued to provide financial support to new applicants for first-time accreditation. This support has benefited many organizations that have since become accredited by NAC.

Next fiscal year looks even more promising for the advancement of NAC accreditation. Interest from new organizations has remained steady over our 19 year history, and all sectors—private and public agencies, residential schools, and low vision clinics—are among those seeking accreditation.

The Commission is grateful for the encouragement and assistance provided by all of you who believe in standards and accreditation. On behalf of NAC, we thank you for your support.

Richard G. Umsted



Richard G. Umsted
Chairperson

Goal: Stimulate use of standards and accreditation to strengthen services to blind and visually handicapped persons and improve accountability within the field, with the help of individuals and organizations within the field, blind and visually handicapped persons, and the public.

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Treasurer's Message



Peter W. Connelly
Treasurer

The American public, through its volunteer services and contributions to the National Accreditation Council, has made it possible once again for the Council to achieve its program objectives and expand its accreditation efforts.

In accounting for the stewardship of the Council's funds, we are committed to the principal of full public disclosure.

We take pride, therefore, in reporting to the public the results of our operations, together with our financial position, on a comparative basis, for the year ending June 30, 1985.

In fiscal 1985, total public support and revenue amounted to \$506,011, a 4% decrease over fiscal 1984. This decrease was largely the result of a decline in interest earned and dues paid. Even though we experienced an increase in accredited organizations, several accredited members were delinquent in paying their dues. Program services expenses decreased 1% from 1984. Standards development and accreditation costs decreased 20%. However, advancement of accreditation increased 38%. This planned increase was to continue funding a major effort to better inform organizations and the general public of the benefits of NAC accreditation. The supporting services costs increased 43% over 1984. One-fourth of this increase was due to the fact that in 1984, the Council did not have an executive director for the full year. The balance of the increase in fund raising expenses was also a planned expenditure. This increased effort launched the Council's plan to become more financially independent.

Of the total revenues in fiscal 1985, 83% was expended for the Council's program services and 39% was expended for supporting services. The total of these percentages exceeds 100% due to the deficit resulting principally from the Council's efforts to achieve increased financial independence.

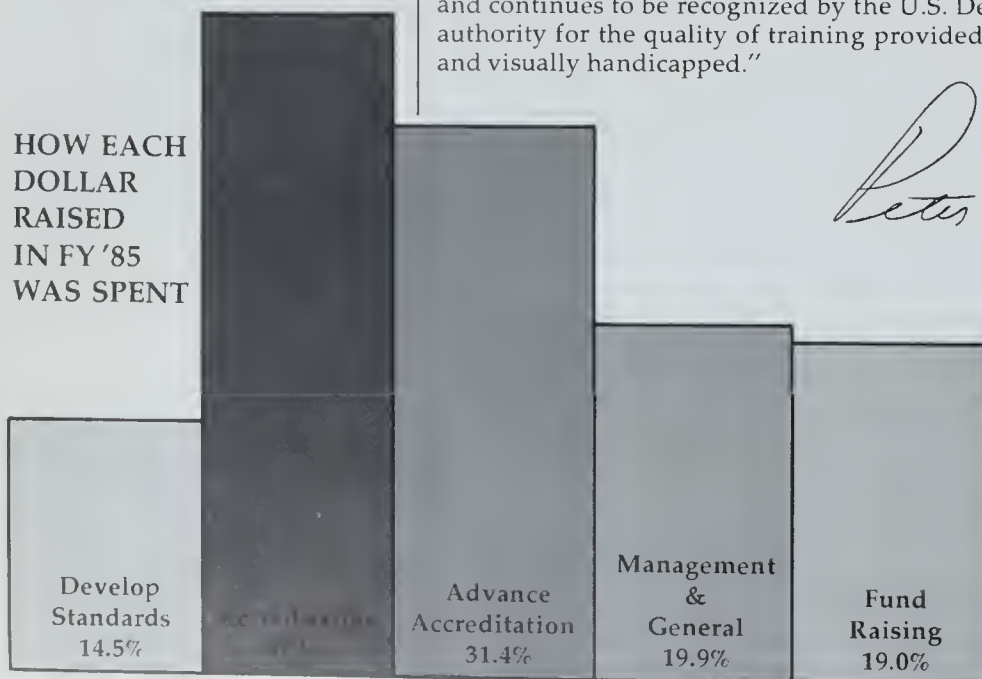
The approved budget for FY '86 is approximately 25% lower than FY '85 actual expenses. Several important economic steps have been taken to reestablish NAC's financial equilibrium.

Our combined financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles for voluntary health and welfare organizations and have been audited by KMG Main Hurdman, independent certified public accountants.

The National Accreditation Council for Agencies Serving the Blind and Visually Handicapped meets the standards of the National Charities Information Bureau and continues to be recognized by the U.S. Department of Education as a "reliable authority for the quality of training provided by specialized schools for the blind and visually handicapped."

Peter W. Connelly

HOW EACH
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RAISED
IN FY '85
WAS SPENT



Financial Statements

Statement of Support, Revenue, and Expenses and Changes in Fund Balances

Year Ended June 30, 1985
(With Comparative Totals for 1984)

	1985			Total All Funds	
	Current Funds		Equipment Fund	1985	1984
	Unrestricted	Restricted (Note 3)			
Public support and revenue:					
Contributions	\$ 310,506	\$95,089		\$ 405,595	\$ 410,267
Revenue:					
Assessments and dues— member units	79,009			79,009	83,040
Interest	18,585			18,585	29,642
Publication sales	2,822			2,822	3,146
Total revenue	100,416			100,416	115,828
Total public support and revenue	410,922	95,089		506,011	526,095
Expenses:					
Program services:					
Develop standards	3,775	68,716	\$ 990	73,481	107,415
Advancement of accreditation	156,872		2,070	158,942	98,132
Accreditation	187,016		3,059	190,075	221,761
Total program services	347,663	68,716	6,119	422,498	427,308
Supporting services:					
Management and general	99,493		1,080	100,573	79,461
Fund raising	94,945		1,800	96,745	33,740
Total supporting services	194,438		2,880	197,318	113,201
Total expenses	542,101	68,716	8,999	619,816	540,509
Excess of expenses over public support and revenue	(131,179)	26,373	(8,999)	(113,805)	(14,414)
Other changes in fund balances:					
Equipment acquisitions from unrestricted funds—net		(26,373)	26,373	(22,763)	
Office relocation costs	(22,763)				
Transitional costs relating to change in Executive Directors					(43,046)
	(153,942)		17,374	(136,568)	(57,460)
Fund balances at beginning of year	220,796		21,932	242,728	300,188
Fund balances at end of year	\$ 66,854	\$ —	\$39,306	\$ 106,160	\$ 242,728

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of Functional Expenses

Year Ended June 30, 1985
(With Comparative Totals for 1984)

	1985							Total Expenses 1985 1984	
	Program Services				Supporting Services				
	Develop Standards	Advance- ment of Accredi- tation	Accredi- tation	Total	Mgmt. and General	Fund Raising	Total		
Salaries	\$33,871	\$ 73,631	\$ 97,576	\$205,078	\$ 51,004	\$55,399	\$106,403	\$311,481	\$287,429
Employee health, retirement, and other benefits (Note 4)	5,160	11,023	14,541	30,724	7,740	8,443	16,183	46,907	37,755
Payroll taxes	2,590	5,533	7,299	15,422	3,885	4,238	8,123	23,545	23,618
Total salaries and related expenses	41,621	90,187	119,416	251,224	62,629	68,080	130,709	381,933	348,802
Occupancy	6,560	10,710	22,992	40,262	6,693	8,824	15,517	55,779	42,722
Telephone and telegraph	1,726	3,183	5,583	10,492	1,723	2,763	4,486	14,978	11,244
Conferences, conventions, meetings, and travel	16,789	24,092	15,992	56,873	15,408	2,005	17,413	74,286	63,719
Insurance	544	1,137	1,680	3,361	593	988	1,581	4,942	
Professional fees and contract service payments	3,056	8,776	13,339	25,171	3,739	5,613	9,352	34,523	16,636
Outside printing, artwork, etc.	129	13,701	1,199	15,029	5,429	684	6,113	21,142	22,846
Postage and shipping	855	2,380	2,542	5,777	941	1,446	2,387	8,164	6,948
Dues, subscriptions, and reference publications	40	369	374	783	267	2,872	3,139	3,922	2,802
Supplies	1,171	2,073	3,899	7,143	1,045	1,670	2,715	9,858	12,858
Miscellaneous		264		264	1,026		1,026	1,290	3,271
Total functional expenses except depreciation	72,491	156,872	187,016	416,379	99,493	94,945	194,438	610,817	531,848
Depreciation	990	2,070	3,059	6,119	1,080	1,800	2,880	8,999	8,661
	\$73,481	\$158,942	\$190,075	\$422,498	\$100,573	\$96,745	\$197,318	\$619,816	\$540,509

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet

June 30, 1985

(With Comparative Totals for 1984)

	<u>1985</u>	<u>1984</u>		<u>1985</u>	<u>1984</u>
			CURRENT FUNDS		
			<u>Unrestricted</u>		
ASSETS			LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		
Cash	\$113,995	\$268,825	Accounts payable	\$ 25,180	\$ 29,297
Accounts receivable	10,587	13,918	Accrued vacation pay	11,714	13,492
			Due to current funds- restricted	<u>38,291</u>	<u>30,880</u>
				<u>75,185</u>	<u>73,669</u>
Pledges receivable	1,010	863	Fund balances:		
			Designated by the Governing Board (Note 2):		
			For long-term investment		194,756
Materials for sale or use - stated at the lower of cost or market	7,144	5,189	For relocation of office	2,237	25,000
			Undesignated, available for gen. activities	<u>64,617</u>	<u>1,040</u>
Other assets	<u>9,303</u>	<u>5,670</u>	Total fund balances	<u>66,854</u>	<u>220,796</u>
	<u>\$142,039</u>	<u>\$294,465</u>		<u>\$142,039</u>	<u>\$294,465</u>
			Restricted (Note 3)		
Due from current funds-unrestricted	<u>\$ 38,291</u>	<u>\$ 30,880</u>	Deferred revenue	<u>\$ 38,291</u>	<u>\$ 30,880</u>
			EQUIPMENT FUND		
Office and other equipment, less ac- cumulated deprecia- tion of \$24,901 and \$15,902	<u>\$ 39,306</u>	<u>\$ 21,932</u>	Fund balance	<u>\$ 39,306</u>	<u>\$ 21,932</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements

1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' industry audit guide for Audits of Voluntary Health and Welfare Organizations.

All contributions are considered available for unrestricted use, unless specifically restricted by the donor.

The Council enjoys the participation of hundreds of blind and sighted persons who donate their services in a variety of ways. These volunteers assist the Council by serving as members of on-site review teams, on technical committees which develop and revise the standards used in accreditation, on its Board of Directors, and on its Commissions and standing committees. Because of the unique quality of the work involved, no objective basis is available to measure the value of donated services. Therefore, no amounts for donated services have been reflected in the accompanying financial statements. The amount of donated materials is not significant.

Materials for sale or use are stated at the lower of cost, on the first-in, first-out method, or market.

Equipment is stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives of the assets computed on the straight-line basis.

2 - Board Designated Funds

In accordance with past practice, the excess of expenses over public support and revenue in the amount of \$113,805 has been deducted from undesignated funds available for general activities.

During the year ended June 30, 1985, the Governing Board authorized the expenditure of \$22,763 of funds previously designated for the purpose of office relocation.

In the year ended June 30, 1984, the Governing Board authorized the expenditure of \$43,046 of long-term investment funds for transition costs relating to the change in Executive Directors. Since funds for long-term investments are not currently available, a segregation of such funds has been discontinued in the year ended June 30, 1985.

3 - Restricted Fund

Following is a summary of the activity in the restricted funds:

Purpose	Balance at Beginning of Year	Grants	Expenditures	Balance at End of Year
Revision of Standards	\$30,880	\$ 50,000	\$65,678	\$15,202
Revising Workshop				
Standards		20,000	3,038	16,962
Development of				
Standards		5,000		5,000
Purchase of word				
processing and				
computer equipment		25,000	24,178	822
Staff lounge in				
new office		2,500	2,195	305
	<u>\$30,880</u>	<u>\$102,500</u>	<u>\$95,089</u>	<u>\$38,291</u>

4 - Pension Plan

The Council provides pension benefits for eligible employees through an insurance company. These benefits cover all employees over 21 years of age with more than six months of service, and their cost is borne by the Council. The total expense to the Council for the years ended June 30, 1985 and 1984 was \$19,567 and \$18,162, respectively. There are no prior service costs.

5 - Leased Premises

For the year ending June 30, 1986, minimum rental for office space, excluding payments for utilities, under a lease expiring on December 31, 1985, is \$21,630.

Rental costs aggregated \$55,779 and \$42,722 for the years ended June 30, 1985 and 1984, respectively.

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We have examined the balance sheet of National Accreditation Council for Agencies Serving the Blind and Visually Handicapped as of June 30, 1985, and the related statements of support, revenue, and expenses and changes in fund balances and of functional expenses for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, such financial statements present fairly the financial position of National Accreditation Council for Agencies Serving the Blind and Visually Handicapped at June 30, 1985, and the results of its operations and the changes in its fund balances for the year ended June 30, 1985, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis with that of the preceding year.

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List of Accredited Members

as of June 30, 1985

Accreditation by NAC signifies that an agency or school for the blind and visually handicapped is committed to meeting nationally accepted standards for quality services, responsible management, and public accountability.

This list of accredited members may be used to assist blind and visually handicapped persons in selecting quality services. And it may also be used to assist the public—which supports these services through contributions and taxes—in identifying high quality and fiscally accountable agencies and schools for the blind and visually handicapped.

Two dates appear for each organization: the year in which accreditation was first achieved, and the year through which accreditation has been awarded.



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